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CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. James Roman Catholic Church, a diverse community rooted in vibrant Eucharistic Liturgy, serves those in need in partnership with others.

Saint James Church is staffed by the priests and brothers of the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." - Mt 10:42

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SUNDAY MASS
9:30 a.m.
(On-line)

DAILY MASS
Monday - Friday
7:30 a.m.
(On-line)

OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Sunday
Closed until further notice

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ON THE WAY……

May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

With our nation's 244th birthday this week I have been thinking about what it means to be a citizen of the United States. We have had vividly illustrated these past few weeks our faults and failings as a country. The "original sin" of slavery was preceded by an even more original sin of exploitation of the native peoples on this continent. When you add in the disgraceful way immigrants are treated (and the current antipathy toward Hispanic immigrants is simply a replay of previous historical periods when Irish or Italian or Chinese immigrants, etc., were mistreated) we have much to repent of as a nation. We are at a tipping point where we can honestly confront our national shortcomings and create a society where there is truly "liberty and justice for all."

On the other hand there is much to be proud of as an American. This truly is a land of opportunity as my grandparents (on my mother's side) and great-grandparents (on my father's) can attest. They came to this country because it provided them with the opportunity to better themselves and to provide a safe place to raise their families. Certainly the material prosperity of the country continues to draw "poor, huddled masses." As the poem reminds us it is not just economics but the "yearning to be free" that has attracted immigrants for the entire history of the country. The freedom to be oneself, to think for oneself should not be taken for granted but jealously guarded.

All of which says that to be an American is an idea. While we might sing of "purple mountain's majesty and amber waves of grain" what makes our country unique is not our geography, not our ethnic make-up, not secure borders but the vision of the founding fathers and mothers. There have been five republics in France with a sprinkling of monarchs and an emperor or two thrown in since 1776. There has only been one government in the United States in that time which is testimony to the power of the ideals in the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution. That is a heritage worth preserving.

We as Christians and as Catholics are called to "faithful citizenship," as the United States Bishops remind us. "Our approach to contemporary issues is first and foremost rooted in our identity as followers of Christ and as brothers and sisters to all who are made in God's image. For all Catholics, including those seeking public office, our participation in political parties or other groups to which we may belong should be influenced by our faith, not the other way around." To quote Pope Francis: Our redemption has a social dimension because "God, in Christ, redeems not only the individual person, but also . . . social relations." To believe that the Holy Spirit is at work in everyone means realizing that he seeks to penetrate every human situation and all social bonds. Accepting the first proclamation, which invites us to receive God's love and to love him in return with the very love which is his gift, brings forth in our lives and actions a primary and fundamental response: to desire, seek and protect the good of others.

In the Most Holy Trinity,
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Sun 06/28	**13th Sunday In Ordinary Time**	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147
	†	***Tom Coffey - requested by Eillen Coffey***
Mon 06/29	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Password: SJDAILY
Tues 06/30	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Password: SJDAILY
Wed 07/01	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Password: SJDAILY
	†	***Intentions of Don & Eileen Kellen - requested by Judy & Bob Kellen***
	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting (On-line)
Thur 07/02	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Password: SJDAILY
	†	***Daniel Gockel - requested by Elaine Gockel***
Fri 07/03	7:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line) Meeting ID: 844 260 686 Password: SJDAILY
	†	***Daniel Gockel - requested by Elaine Gockel***
	7:00 p.m.	
Sun 07/05	**14th Sunday In Ordinary Time**	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (On-line & Church w/Sign Up) https://zoom.us/j/622647147
	†	***Shirley & Debra Barker - requested by Phyllis Barker***

Eucharistic Adoration
July 3, 2020 @ 7:00pm

Numbers will be limited and done in accordance with Archdiocesan guidelines with respecting social distancing.

Fr. John will hear confession during adoration from 7:30pm until 8:30pm.

WE ARE REOPENING

The church is reopening it's doors on July 5th!! We will only be able to have a certain number of parishioners in the church building so we will still be streaming mass on-line too.

It is really import to sign up in advance and follow guidelines listed below.
You can add your name to the list through Sign Up Genius. Here is the link:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B4AA4A829A6FE3-sunday

If you are coming back to church the guidelines on the next page must be followed!
Daily mass will return 7/6 in the Tolten chapel with a limit of 10.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

- CHECK YOUR TEMPERATURE: IF YOU HAVE ONE, PLEASE DO NOT COME TO CHURCH
- STAY HOME IF YOU ARE ILL
- MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A FACE COVERING TO BRING AND WEAR
- REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR REGISTRATION OR BE ON A LIST OF ATTENDEES

WHEN YOU ARRIVE

- ENTER ONLY IN MARKED DOORWAYS.
- WAIT PATIENTLY TO BE CHECKED IN BY GREETER
- KEEP YOU FACE COVERING OR MASK ON AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT FOR RECEIVING COMMUNION
- SANITIZE YOUR HANDS AS DIRECTED BY GREETER
- OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING AT ALL TIMES (LOOK FOR MARKS ON THE FLOOR)
- USHERS WILL DIRECT YOU TO PEWS WITH MARKINGS ON WHERE TO SIT
- SINCE THERE WILL BE NO PASSING OF BASKETS FOR YOUR OFFERING PLEASE LEAVE YOUR OFFERING IN THE BOXES PROVIDED AT THE ENTRANCE AND EXIT AREAS

DURING THE SERVICE

- DO NOT CHANGE SEATS DURING A SERVICE
- THERE WILL BE NO PASSING OF OFFERING BASKETS.
- NO PHYSICAL SIGN OF PEACE WILL BE EXCHANGED DURING MASS
- FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION:
  - LEAVE YOUR SEAT ONLY WHEN DIRECTED BY USHER OR GREETER
  - MAINTAIN 6 FEET SOCIAL DISTANCING IN THE COMMUNION LINE—LOOK FOR MARKS ON FLOOR
  - WHEN 12 FEET OR 2 PEOPLE AWAY FROM THE PRIEST SANITIZE YOUR HANDS USING THE SANITIZER FROM THE USHER. AFTER SANITIZING DO NOT TOUCH ANY SURFACES.
  - APPROACH THE PRIEST ONLY AFTER YOU ARE CALLED FORWARD. DO NOT REMOVE YOUR FACE COVERING.
  - EXTEND A SINGLE HAND TO RECEIVE THE HOST.
  - AFTER MOVING 6 FEET TO THE RIGHT OR LEFT, REMOVE YOUR MASK AND CONSUME THE HOST
  - REPLACE YOUR FACE COVERING OR MASK
  - FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS TO RETURN TO YOUR PEW

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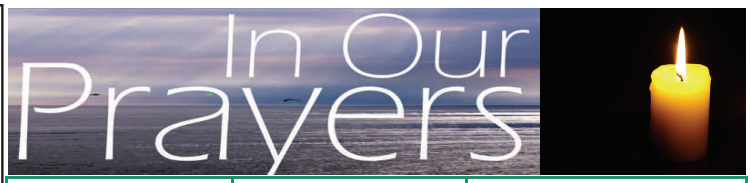
***MORE ON BACK

St. James has a google form for submitting prayer requests:

https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A



Our Home Bound:

Judy Archer
Margie Bass
Altee Clark
Edwina Cook
Paul Freeman
Juanita James
James Kennard

Barbara Southhall
Dina Williams

Our Sick

Victoria Allen
Aayliah Cooper

Patsy Cunningham
Marvelean Doss
Nancy McCarthy
Barbara Radizwon
Sandra Reynolds
Donald Rogers
Kimberly Starr